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REMARKS

Claims 1, 6-32, 36 and 43-46 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 33-35 and 37 have been canceled herein. Claims 2-5 and 38-42 were canceled previously. Applicants thank Examiner George for withdrawing the rejection of claims 1, 6-37 and 43-46 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Tong *et al.* and stating that claims 1, 6-32, 36 and 43-46 are allowable.

Claims 33-35 and 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.

Claims 33-35 and 37 have been canceled. Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSIONS

The current claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully renew their previous request that to avoid issuance of a second patent to the same patentable invention, the Examiner declare an interference between the present application and U.S. Pat. No. 6,515,022.

No fees are believed to be due with this paper; however if the event a fee is required Examiner is authorized to Deposit Account 18-1700. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any additional information is required.

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